

Starr Library Board of Trustees Seeks Creative, Community-Oriented Colleagues to Join the Starr Board

We currently have two openings on the Starr Library Board of Trustees and seek Starr Library patron-area residents who are community-oriented and able to meet the requirements outlined below.

Like the library itself, The Starr Board is an inclusive, community-minded, and collegial group. We strive to represent a diversity of backgrounds, experience, skills, and interests and we share a passion for the role that libraries play, particularly in small communities like Rhinebeck.

Our diversity of experience, approaches, and backgrounds strengthens the Board's ability to guide policy decisions that help the library fulfill its mission to serve as broad a range of community residents as possible.

Though our selection criteria are broader than the areas of expertise or experience any individual candidate might hold, current board needs include

- Fundraising
- Capital campaign experience
- Grant writing
- Facilities expansion planning

Trustee appointments are for three-year terms.

The Board's Role

The Starr Library Board consists of 9 Trustees; the Library Director; and a representative from the Friends of Starr Library, the library's fundraising group.

The Board sets policy for the library and works closely with library staff (through the Director, who is responsible for the library's operations), the Friends, community organizations, and members of the public to help guide

Starr Library as it continues to fulfill and expand its role as a foundational community resource.

Application Requirements

To be considered for this position, you must be:

- a full-time resident of the Starr Library patron area with demonstrated connection to the Rhinebeck community
- Committed to Starr Library's mission and vision
- Willing and able to commit to 4-10 hours per month to
 - Attend monthly Board meetings
 - Join and work on a minimum of 2 committees. (Some committees meet monthly; others meet a few times a year.)
 - Participate in occasional library events
 - Complete NYS-mandated training (a minimum of 2 hours annually)

To Apply

Please send a resume and a letter outlining your interest in serving on the Starr Library Board, which should include a brief biographical statement, your volunteer activities, and how your skills and experience will contribute to the governance of the library.

Email: dlaallee@starrlibrary.org

Deadline: Tuesday, February 14, 2023.

Please contact Board President David Lavalley at the email address above with any questions you may have.